CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FIRST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD WEDNESDAY, 3 JULY, 1985, AT 7:00 P.M.
ROOM H-762, HALL BUILDING, SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS CAMPUS

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Scott White called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

PRESENT

Co-Presidents

Ron Hiscox
Mike Judson (8:40)

Commerce

Robert Gauvin
Elizabeth Laett
Lorne Severs (8:05)
Shirleen Weekes

Arts and Science

Adrian Chomenko
Milva D'Aronco (8:30)
Carla Grodis
Andy King (9:00)
Mark Pink
Karen Takacs
Maki Kusano

Fine Arts

David Etherington
David Swift

ABSENT

Arts and Science: Maria Calderone, Chris Mostovac (w/r), Heather Rerrie (w/r), Jennifer Stark

Commerce: Janice Domaratzki (w/r), Jenny Rice (w/r)

Engineering: Dan Artola, Andrew Haberl (w/r), Jonathan Jolivet, Martin Pereira

Fine Arts: Page Lopez

Advisors to the Board present: Alex Commodari, Programming Co-V.P.; Diane Coulas, Judicial Board Secretary; Joel Elkin, Liaison V.P.; Francois Desrosiers, External Affairs V.P.; Aleem Lakhani, Student Services and Part-Time Student Affairs V.P.; Yael Lifshitz, Education V.P.; Brian Weihs, Finance V.P.; Carolyn Whitzman, Communications V.P.

2. Approval of Agenda

Add item 7 c) Revision to Financial Policies (BD-31-D4)

Agenda approved as amended.

3. Approval of Minutes of the 30th Meeting

Minutes approved as presented.

4. Chairperson's Remarks

Scott announced the resignation of Stephen Anderson from the Board of Directors. He then read the letter from Terry Lee resigning from the FM Merger Committee.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 24 at Loyola. That is in three weeks time. The meeting will be in the Bunker Conference Room in the Centennial Building.

5. Reports

a) Liaison Department Report

Joel asked the Board to disolve the following inactive clubs: Concordia Shorin Ryu Karate Club and the Canadian Student Pugwash of Concordia.

MOTION 198

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following clubs be declared defunct:
Concordia Shoring RYU Karate Club
Canadian Student Pugwash of Concordia

Moved by: David Etherington
Seconded by: Mark Pink

VOTE ON MOTION 198 11/0/0 Unanimous

7:45 p.m.

Joel then asked that the Board ratify the Russian Studies Student Union.

MOTION 199

WHEREAS the Russian Studies Student Union has properly completed the Application for Club Recognition process, and;

WHEREAS a founding member is in attendance to answer any questions;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board recognize the Russian Studies Student Union as a Departmental Association pending approval of their constitution by Judicial Board.

Moved by: David Etherington
Seconded by: Mark Pink

VOTE ON MOTION 199 11/0/0 Unanimous

b) External Affairs Department Report

Francois stated that he had received some financial statements from ANEQ but that they made little sense. He then stated that he would discuss the situation at the next executive meeting on whether to give the amount owing to ANEQ. He would try to report back at the next Board meeting.

McGill University had been in touch with Francois to discuss joint ventures for the International Youth Year. It looked very promising.

RAEU had also been in touch with Francois to discuss a proposal concerning the acquisition of computers for other than engineering students.

c) Communications Department Report (BD-31-D3)

Carolyn stated that she wished to put out a CUSA paper every two weeks, and that this paper might be inserted into the Concordian or the Link. She also stated that CUSA should be getting new posters with more pizazz than the present one. She mentioned that for big events this year she hopes to implement campaign-style communications.

d) Finance Committee Report

Brian stated that FinCom had reviewed all of the summer budgets except for a few for which there was difficulty in reaching the representatives.

The base-line budget was next on the agenda for FinCom.

8:15 p.m.

e) Education Department Report (BD-31-D2)

Yael stated that she wished the Board to adopt the following legislation:

MOTION 200

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Academic Council Mandate of September 1981, be revised and updated into the following mandate:

"FACULTY ACADEMIC COUNCIL MANDATE

Article I

NAME

The name of this body shall be the Faculty Academic Council (F.A.C.).

ARTICLE II

RESPONSIBILITIES

Each F.A.C. shall:

2.1 Derive its authority from the Concordia University Students' Association Inc. (CUSA) Board of Directors.

2.2 Meet at least once a calendar month, with quorum being 50% plus one.

2.3 Initiate the consideration of any matter pertaining to the academic program of its respective faculty.

2.4 Make any recommendations it sees fit concerning academic matters to the CUSA Board of Directors and its respective Faculty Council Student Caucus.

ARTICLE III

STRUCTURE AND VOTING

3.1 Each F.A.C. will consist of one representative from each departmental student association within their respective faculty, one chair, an ex-officio member, and a secretary.

3.2 The chair shall be elected from within the F.A.C. by a simple majority (50% plus one).

3.3 Ex-Officio (non-voting member) will be the Education V.P. of CUSA.

3.4 Term of office for all F.A.C. members will be October 1 to October 1.

ARTICLE IV

APPOINTMENTS

4.1 F.A.C. ratifies all student members to their respective Faculty Council and committees.

4.2 An elected representative from amongst each F.A.C. will report directly to the V.P. Education of CUSA and will also be a Faculty Council member and Faculty Council Student Caucus chair.

4.3 Students who are members of the faculty council shall be governed by the CUSA Caucus Policies.

ARTICLE V

FINANCES

5.1 The F.A.C. has the right to apply for a budget from CUSA's Finance Committee.

5.2 The budget will be presented by the chair of the F.A.C. in accordance with the standards laid down by the Finance Committee.

5.3 · Signing officers will be the chair and the F.A.C. representative to the V.P. Education and Faculty Council."

Moved by: David Etherington
Seconded by: Shirleen Weekes

VOTE ON MOTION 200 11/0/1 Carried

8:30 p.m.

f) SPEAQS Report

Pete Wheeland gave a brief description of SPEAQS for those directors who had not been present when it was first discussed. He stated that he was actively seeking out problems that students now face so that through assessing these problems effectively, some changes chould be implemented to make student life more fulfilling.

g) Job Bank Report

Julien Feldman stated that the Job Bank was now in its fifth week of operations and they have had a fair amount of response. Today's Gazette (July 3) had an article on the operations. Approximately 93 positions have been filled with students for both part-time and full-time work.

8:45 p.m.

h) Co-Presidents' Report

Ron explained the approach being taken to study CUSACORP. There were two aspects to study, one being what the structure should be and the other being what the services will be. He then stated that a report will be circulated before the next Board meeting with some of the ideas that are arrived at.

9:00 p.m.

He then mentioned the law suits that are now being filed against CUSA. These include the newest from Jean Robertson against various members of CUSA.

6. Question Period

It was asked when the walls would be coming down in the SGW offices. Ron stated that work should begin in about two weeks.

It was asked when COW Academic Orientation meetings were to take place. Yael stated that they will take place August 16, 17 and 18. It was also stated that there will be academic orientation events taking place during the first two weeks of school.

9:15 p.m.

7. New Business

a) Radio Committee Motion (BD-31-D1)

MOTION 201

WHEREAS there is a great deal of confusion concerning the future of Radio Services in CUSA and it is important that the Board of Directors get a clear direction for CIRL and CRSG;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors set up an Ad Hoc committee on CUSA Radio, effective June 26, 1985 to propose alternatives concerning the future of CUSA Radio Services. These alternatives are to be considered by the Board of Directors no later than August 1, 1985.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this committee be comprised of no less than one Executive, four Directors and one Representative from each of the two Radio Stations.

Moved by: Maki Kusano
Seconded by: Mark Pink

Ron stated that we must decide on the long-range future of radio services. That is the purpose of setting up this committee.

It was argued that the committee should have a more rigid strucutre so it does not get too large to be an effective committee.

It was then argued that this committee would be dictating the direction of a member asociation. This argument was countered by the fact that it is the responsibility of the Board to keep track of the funds that are given out to each association. It is not only the Board who will decide the future but representatives from both radio stations.

It was stated that the Board is not informed enough to chose from the alternatives.

That was countered by the fact that whoever sits on the Committee will have to make themselves informed about the radio stations. Then the committe must present its ideas to the Board.

It was argued that radio is more than a club, it is media and it could be used as a way for students to expose the work they are doing at Concordia.

9:45 p.m.

Perhaps the Committee should concern themselves with the services provided by the radio stations. That should be the major concern.

It was mentioned that we should stick to the point of whether the Board should set up the committee not what the committee should do.

AMENDMENT TO MOTION 201

MOVE to add the words "no more than three" between the words "propose" and "alternatives" in the second paragraph.

Moved by: Lorne Severs
Seconded by: David Etherington

10:00 p.m.

It was stated that some directors did not like the idea of putting a limit on the number of alternatives. After much discussion, representatives from the radio stations where asked for their opinions on limiting the number of alternatives. Both stations agreed that it would be a good idea to limit the number and stated that there were not many options to choose from anyway.

MOVE TO END DEBATE ON THE AMENDMENT

Moved by: Milva D'Aronco
Seconded by: Maki Kusano

VOTE 10/2/0 Debate is ended.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT TO MOTION 201 10/2/0 Amendment is carried.

The discussion then turned to the fact that too many people from one radio station may turn up and out-number both the other radio station and the CUSA representatives, giving an unfair advantage to the first radio station. Only that station's alternatives might be presented to the Board.

A suggestion was made that there should be a representative from each faculty on the committee.

AMENDMENT TO MOTION 201

MOVE to add the following paragraph at the end of the motion:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT there be at least one representative from each faculty on this committee."

Moved by: Maki Kusano
Seconded by: David Etherington

Seeing that there were no Directors from the Engineering faculty present at this time, no one from that faculty could be ratified tonight to sit on the committee.

It was argued that this amendment was not really relevent to the committee.

MOVE TO END DEBATE ON THE AMENDMENT

Moved by: Mark Pink
Seconded by: Carla Grodis

VOTE 12/2/0 Debate is ended.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT TO MOTION 201 0/10/2 Amendment is defeated.

10:15 p.m.

MOVE TO END DEBATE ON MOTION 201

VOTE 11/2/0 Debate is ended.

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VOTE ON MOTION 201 12/0/1 Carried

MOVE to ratify the following Directors to sit on the Radio Committee: Lorne Severs, Milva D'Aronco, Mark Pink, David Etherington and Michael Judson.

VOTE 14/0/0 Unanimous

10:45 p.m.

c) Revision to Financial Policies (BD-31-D4)

Ron stated some of the reasons behind this motion (Hiscox/Takacs). It was impossible for FinCom to assess the feasibility of each project the associations would like to do each year. The 20% figure was arrived at by calculating overhead and looking at past years' budgets. This policy would make it equal for all student associations.

After a long dicussion it was asked that this motion item be postponed to the next meeting.

MOVE to postpone Revision to Financial Policies to the next meeting.

Moved by: David Etherington
Seconded by: Robert Gauvin

12/0/0 Unanimous; postponed to next meeting.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

G. Scott White, Chairperson

Mary Ann Whalen-Bradley,
Secretary